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1. LATEST IS DRAFT IS A USEFUL STEP FORWARD AND REVISED FORMAT CLARIFIES ISSUES WHILE HELPING SYNTHESIZE ALLIED OBJECTIVES. YOU SHOULD DRAW ON FOLLOWING IN FURTHER DISCUSSION AT POLADS SEPTEMBER 3.

2. PARA 4. AGREE THAT LANGUAGE IN PARA 4 ON NEUTRAL INTERESTS SHOULD BE PLACED IN PARA 8.

3. PARA 5A. AGREE TO DELETION OF "INTERESTED." YOU MAY AGREE TO "AS MANY AS POSSIBLE" VICE "MOST", BUT WE WOULD PREFER TO DELETE REFERENCE ENTIRELY. ALSO AGREE TO DELETION OF "IN WHICH THEIR FORCES PARTICIPATE."

4. PARA 5A. "IN THEIR TERRITORY IN EUROPE" WOULD SEEM TO IMPLY THAT ONLY HOST STATE IS OBLIGATED TO GIVE NOTIFICATION OF MANEUVERS, A FORMULATION WHICH WOULD FREE THE SOVIETS FROM NOTIFYING THEIR MANEUVERS IN EASTERN EUROPE. ALLIES MIGHT WISH TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE FURTHER, BUT TO LEAVE IT OPEN IN PRESENT PAPER. OUR PREFERENCE FOR NOW IS TO HOLD TO MORE GENERAL PHRASE

"IN THE RELEVANT AREA."

5. PARA 5A. YOU SHOULD JOIN IN OPPOSING GREEK SUGGESTION TO BRACKET PHRASE "AND EXCLUDING THE MEDITERRANEAN."

6. PARA 5A. YOU SHOULD WORK TO RETAIN BRACKETING ON NORWEGIAN PROPOSAL FOR VOLUNTARY NOTIFICATION OF SEPARATE AIR AND NAVAL MANEUVERS. FYI: SINCE ISSUE OF INDEPENDENT AIR AND NAVAL MANEUVERS REPRESENTS BASIC DIFFERENCE OF POSITIONS WITHIN ALLIANCE -- I.E. BETWEEN UK AND NORWEGIANS -- WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO SEEING IT SURFACED IN POLADS PAPER FOR EVENTUAL NAC CONSIDERATION. END FYI.

7. PARA 5B. YOU SHOULD HOLD TO PREVIOUS GUIDANCE ON MOVEMENTS (STATE 176397 AND STATE 181101). IF POINT RAISED BY UK (PARA 7 USNATO 4657) COMES UP AGAIN, YOU MAY SAY THAT THE US HAS NEVER SUGGESTED THAT ALLIES

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GIVE UP MOVEMENTS WITHOUT SOVIET CONCESSIONS. OUR VIEW IS THAT ALLIES SHOULD DEFINE A REALISTIC QUID PRO QUO INVOLVING SOVIET CONCESSIONS ON THE CRITERIA FOR MANEUVERS.

8. PARA 5C. WE CAN ACCEPT PARAGRAPH AS A WHOLE AND SUGGEST REMOVING ALL BRACKETS. WOULD LIKE TO SEE BELGIAN SUGGESTION ON MODIFICATION OF US LANGUAGE BEFORE

COMMENTING, BUT WE WANT ALLIES TO ACCEPT TEXT ALREADY
AGREED AT GENEVA AS BASIS FOR CBM ON EXCHANGING
OBSERVERS.

9. PARA 5D. AGREE TO "HOWEVER" VICE "OR" AND "DIRECT"
VICE "STRONG". WITH THOSE CHANGES WE CAN SUPPORT REMOVAL
OF BRACKETS. YOU SHOULD FURTHER SUGGEST THAT THIS
PARAGRAPH, ALONG WITH PARA 4, BE PLACED IN PARAGRAPH 8,
THUS FOCUSING PARAGRAPH 5 OF PAPER ON SUBSTANTIVE RATHER
THAN TACTICAL QUESTIONS.

10. PARA 6. YOU MAY SUPPORT TURKISH FORMULATION AND
REITERATE US VIEW THAT SELF-RESTRAINT ISSUE SHOULD BE
HANDLED IN THE PREAMBLE TO THE CBM ITEM (SEE
STATE 081134 PARA 19 A2).

11. PARA 8 SUB PARA 3. YOU MAY SUPPORT FRG-NORWEGIAN
SUGGESTION RE DROPPING "WRITTEN OR UNWRITTEN."

12. PARA 8 SUB PARA 4. WE REMAIN PUZZLED ABOUT INTENDED
MEANING OF THIS PARAGRAPH. AS DRAFTED, IT SUGGESTS THE

ALLIES AIM AT COVERING ALL RPT ALL MANEUVERS THAT MIGHT
BE MILITARILY OR "POLITICALLY" SIGNIFICANT, REGARDLESS
OF SIZE, CATEGORIES OF FORCES, AND CRITERIA ON AREA THAT
MAY BE FINALLY AGREED. WE WOULD AGREE WITH A STATEMENT
THE THRUST OF WHICH WOULD BE THAT DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN
NATIONAL AND MULTINATIONAL MANEUVERS SHOULD NOT ENABLE
A PARTICIPATING STATE TO EXCLUDE NOTIFICATION OF A
MANEUVER WHICH MEETS OTHER AGREED CRITERIA FOR
NOTIFICATION.

13. PARA 9. WE DO NOT WISH TO RULE OUT COMMITTING
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FIGURES TO WRITING; THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD CONTINUE TO
WORK FOR DROPPING LAST SENTENCE.

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